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Note and Comment

As the Saturday News goes to press, Western Canada is face to face with an alarming situation, owing to the strike of the coal miners in Southern Alberta and at Crow's Nest points in British Columbia. C.P.R. officials at Calgary are quoted as saying that traffic on that line may be tied up altogether by the shortage of fuel. The company has, it seems, been working along from hand to mouth, ever since the strike that was terminated early in the winter and has but a small supply ahead. What this means at this particular time of year with something like 50 per cent more people coming into the country than in 1906 is not difficult to understand. By a vote of 1878 to 198 the miners of Michel, Fernie, Lethbridge, Coleman, Lundbreck, Taber, Frank, Hillcrest, Bellevue and Barkhead, have determined to strike and are quitting work. If the movement is not stemmed and the mines are tied up, the outlook is a dark one.

In view of these circumstances, the bill which was introduced by Hon. Mr. Lemieux, the minister of labor, and which has just become law, is of the highest importance. The far-reaching nature of the change which it has introduced into the relations between employers and employees does not seem to be understood any better in the west than it was in Nova Scotia, where two weeks ago the employees of the Cumberland Coal and Railway Company went out. They were evidently unaware that their right to do so had been restricted. Soon, however, the fact was called to their attention that they were rendering themselves liable to heavy penalties and they speedily returned to their places, pending an investigation into the dispute under this new act. The public at large will hope that Mr. Lemieux's legislation will have as complete a triumph in this part of the Dominion.

It is well worth while making a careful survey of the provisions of the act. A despatch sent out from Calgary on Wednesday said in part:

"There is no strike of miners, the miners say; they are merely leaving work. There is no law to prevent that, and there is no conciliation act ever framed which can reach it. If a miner does not want to work, what is to prevent him from lying idle? He is not on strike, he is merely resting."

If this is the argument of the miners' representatives, they cannot have read the act. It clearly defines a strike as "the cessation of work by a body of employees acting in combination, or a concerted refusal under a common understanding of any number of employees to continue to work for an employer, in consequence of a dispute, done as a means of compelling their employer, or to aid other employees, in compelling their employer, to accept terms of employment." This is a specific enough and it will be impossible to get around it by quibbling to the effect that the miners are "merely leaving work," not striking.

Provision is made by the act for the appointment of a board of conciliation of three members, two to be appointed by each of the two parties to the dispute and the third, who is to be the chairman, to be agreed on by these two. This board



LORD AYLMER AT THE EDMONTON CAMP

The Inspector-General of the Canadian Militia, whose enforced retirement, on account of his age, has been a subject of considerable discussion at Ottawa during the past few weeks, paid a visit of inspection to the camp of the Mounted Rifles in June last. The above photo by Byron shows the march past on one of the closing days of the camp.

may be appointed upon the application of either the employers or the employees. If one of the parties to the dispute does not appoint a representative, the minister of labor has the power to do so, in order that the board may be completed. Clothed with the powers of a court, it is to make investigation into all the matters that have given rise to the trouble and to endeavor to bring about a settlement. If it does not succeed in doing this, it is to make a full report as to the merits and substantial justice of the case to the Minister of Labor, which is to be given full publicity to. It has no power to enforce its rulings but it is presumed that public opinion will be strong enough to bring about a settlement in accordance with its recommendations.

The radical portion of the act is thus not in connection with the actual work of the Board of Conciliation. It is in the provision where by strikes and lockouts are actually prohibited by law until the Board holds investigation. By section 56, no employer can declare a lockout or no employee can go on strike pending the reference to the Board. An employer who violates this section is liable to a fine of not less than \$100 and not more than \$1000 for each day or part of a day that a lockout exists while an employee is liable to a fine of not less than \$10 and more than \$50 for every day or part of a day that he is on strike. So if the miners are taking the action that the despatches say, they are clearly violating the law.

Needless to say, the proceedings to be taken to meet the situation will be followed with keen attention.

Incidentally it should be mentioned that the large coal mining interests which centre in Edmonton are not affected and that there is every prospect that the remarkable expansion which they are undergoing at present will continue unimpeded by serious labor troubles.

The reports that have appeared in the newspapers of the speeches delivered in the House of Commons last week by Hon. Frank Oliver and some of his party colleagues in de-

fence of the Blairmore townsite charges are as unconvincing as was the statement which Mr. Malcolm Mackenzie M.P.P. a month or so ago gave to the Albertan press. The Minister of the Interior declared that the Conservative members were prostituting the privilege of parliament. The Speaker immediately requested to him to withdraw the expression, which he did. A few minutes later he stated that their object was to perpetuate on the pages of Hansard a slander which had no foundation whatever.

"I must again ask the honorable gentleman to withdraw" exclaimed the Speaker.

"I withdraw and apologise" said Mr. Oliver.

The Minister certainly appears in a very bad light. Instead of denouncing those who had brought the subject to the attention of parliament, why did he not say something in defence of the transactions that were criticized? If there is nothing to be said in their defence, why did he accept responsibility for them? They were carried through, it should be remembered, under Mr. Sifton's regime.

"The Minister of the Interior" says the Toronto Globe report "showed that the case was taken out of the hands of the department of the Interior, tried in the Courts on its merits and dismissed."

Compare this statement with that made by Mr. Justice Burbridge in dismissing the case:

"Owing to the action of the Crown, which I can hardly understand, in withdrawing from the case, I am forced to find that Lyon has no legal right to cancel the patent of Mackenzie, but had the Crown remained in the case I would find that Mackenzie obtained the land by fraud and immediately cancel the patent."

Does this look as if the case was "tried in the courts on its merits?" Lyon had no legal standing without the support of the Crown and it was because the Crown, just before judgment was given, withdrew that support that Mackenzie was confirmed in the possession of this immensely valuable townsite. The question which hasn't been answered is: "Why did the Crown

withdraw and prevent Justice Burbridge from giving judgment, as he says he would have, in Lyon's favor?" That is a question which the Minister of the Interior will have to answer in some other way than by hurling uncomplimentary epithets at those who ask it.

The presentation of the report of Mr. Todd, the landscape architect employed by the Edmonton council to prepare a general scheme of parks and boulevards, marks a distinct advance in the movement for the general improvement and beautification of the city. It is a most comprehensive document and while it will be a considerable time before all its details can be carried out, it will afford an excellent basis on which to work. In addition to the park reservations already made in the west and east end, the choice of which Mr. Todd warmly approves of he points out the necessity of making similar provision in the north end and suggests the vicinity of sections 20 or 21, preferably adjacent to Namayo avenue as a location. He also proposes the reservation of the Hudson's Bay Flat west of the parliament buildings for use as an exhibition ground and for general park purposes. This is the property at present in use as the golf links and the necessity of keeping it for the public use has been pointed out on this page on several occasions.

The most important part of the report is that which deals with the utilization of the Rat Creek and Groat ravines. By preserving them in their natural state and having driveways constructed along their banks, they will add a very great deal to the beautification of the city. By the construction of a boulevard leading out to Rat Creek, of another across the Hudson's Bay reserve from where Rat Creek touches First street, of still another around the Parliament buildings and along the river bank, as far as is possible under existing conditions, and by the widening of Namayo avenue to the north end park, a complete system of parks and park ways could be obtained.

A fact on which much emphasis should be laid for the benefit of those who are afraid of these projects on account of their cost is that by withdrawing for park purposes property which is of little use for building, the value of that which is of value for building is greatly added to.

The municipality cannot undertake Mr. Todd's programme as a whole just at present, but it can at least make the necessary reservations right away. If these are assured, it will be a comparatively easy matter carrying out the scheme in its completeness five or ten years hence. A special committee should be put to work without delay for the purpose of making these most important preliminary arrangements.

Strathcona, under the leadership of its energetic mayor, Mr. Mills, is taking steps to ensure a driveway along the bank of the river. There is a much better chance in the sister city for the working out of a general scheme than in Edmonton and it is satisfactory to note that the authorities are not losing the opportunity which presents itself at this stage of the municipality's growth. If the provincial authorities should lend their aid and so lo-

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One of the properties, west of Strathcona on the river bank, which are spoken of as likely sites for the provincial university and its affiliated institutions, is a farm of 271 acres. It is a mile and a quarter west of the post office. Three years ago its owner offered the farm, two lots near the Royal Hotel and \$1000 in exchange for a half section, eight miles to the south east of Strathcona. But the offer was refused. Now he is asking \$500 an acre for the farm alone.

Great activity continues in Strathcona real estate. Sheriff Duncan of Regina, on the occasion of his recent visit bought the corner of Whyte avenue and Main street for \$22,000. There is a frontage of 33 feet on Whyte and 132 on Main. The report published in an Edmonton daily that the C.P.R. shops and terminals might not go to Strathcona after all is indignantly denied across the river. It is pointed out that by the agreement between the municipality and the company, a very large forfeit has to be paid by the latter if it fails to live up to the bargain and that machinery for the shops is already arriving.

The backward weather has interfered to a certain extent with real estate operations during the week but numerous transfers continue to be made. The most notable was that of lot 80, on the south side of Jasper, between 2nd and 3rd, from George Hutton to N. B. Peck for \$45,000 or \$900 a foot. The property was bought two months ago by Mr. Hutton for \$43,000. The property directly opposite was also transferred during the week. H. Bowen purchasing it from R. McIntosh at \$80 a foot for 25 feet.

J. H. Williams of the National Manufacturing Company of Pembroke, Ontario, is in Lethbridge with a view to locating a warehouse and a plant for the manufacture of cream separators and steel ranges.

J. W. Miller of Winnipeg was in Edmonton during the week looking over the ground with a view to establishing a biscuit factory.

The West Park Brick Co., capitalized at \$20,000 and operating under a charter obtained from the Provincial government, have purchased 15 acres of the Allen farm, west of Strathcona, and have 20 or 30 men at work getting ready for the manufacture of bricks on a large scale.

For the present they will manufacture ordinary brick only but later on they expect to install machinery for making pressed brick. The company is composed of Ex-Mayor A. Davies, T. Allen, S. O'Brien, F. C. Jamieson, F. Cowles, A. Cowles, and A. E. East, the last named being manager of the company.

A representative of the Western Timber and Mines Co. recently returned from Ottawa where he went for the purpose of registering the different mines and timber limits they have located. Satisfactory arrangements have been made so that the company can now proceed with the surveying and general development of the properties. The first work will be done on the near coal properties and the company now have a big stock of provisions out at the Big Eddy for the men who will do this work and for prospectors who will locate new properties. The company have a large force of men at work at their up the river quarry and already have 500 tons of stone ready for shipment to Edmonton as soon as the river opens. Their Vegreville stone quarry will also receive attention as soon as the snow disappears.

Bishop Reeve has decided to ask for donations for a new church and rectory at Athabasca Landing, which will serve as a memorial to the late Bishop Young and to the late Mrs. Reeve, the wife of the present incumbent, who labored long on behalf of the native people of the north.

The films for the moving picture machine at the Bijou theatre, which were delayed so long on route, arrived the first of the week and they are now giving their regular performance afternoon and evenings with a complete change of programme twice each week. They give a good clean show and are being well patronized.

George H. Graydon, the well known Edmonton druggist, has been appointed to the Pharmaceutical Board of the Northwest. This is the first time that the honor has been accorded a member of the profession from this city.

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Personal.

Premier Rutherford will leave for Great Britain on May 5th. He will be in London by May 24th for the great educational congress to be held there.

Major C. G. Ross of High River has returned from a trip to the old country. While away, he visited the Soudan on an ibex hunting trip.

Messrs A. L. Towne and J. F. Gaetz of Red Deer were in Edmonton last week.

The death of Major R. F. Chisholm of North Battleford, as a result of an attack of appendicitis, has caused widespread regret. He was one of the best known men in the west. He was formerly land agent at Battleford but resigned to contest the riding against A. Champagne M.P.P. at the last provincial elections.

Wilfrid Sullivan, a well known figure in Vancouver legal and financial circles, was in Edmonton this week on a visit to Harold G. Brunton.

E. T. Hammett, formerly manager of the branch of the Bank of Nova Scotia in Edmonton, whose death in Trinidad was announced last week, had been sent to Kingston, Jamaica, immediately after the earthquake, to reorganise the branch there. He leaves a widow, who previous to her marriage was Miss Bessie Butler, of Halifax, and two children.

A. C. de Harwood of Pretoria, Transvaal, was a visitor to Edmonton this week.

The Regina Standard states that Mrs. Fiske will play in the different Western cities in June.

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Mayor H. H. Gaetz of Red Deer, was in Edmonton this week.

Mr. and Mrs. D. McTavish of Port Elgin, Ont., are in Edmonton at present. They are making a tour of the west.

Hon. J. A. Calder, Minister of Education for Saskatchewan, left on Tuesday for Regina, after spending some days the guest of His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor.

Mrs. Walter Scott has left Regina for Montreal, where she will meet Premier Scott on his return from the Gulf of Mexico, where he has been recuperating since his long and trying illness. Mr. and Mrs. Scott will then proceed to a famous sanitarium in the Carolinas where the Premier will complete his convalescence.

Miss Jean Whitelaw of Woodstock Ont., is a guest at the home of Dr. Whitelaw.

High Chief Ranger A.F. Grady of the I.O.F., the former mayor of McLeod, has been in attendance at the sittings of the High Standing Committee in Edmonton.

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Note and Comment.

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enate the university that it could be made part of a comprehensive plan for giving beauty and dignity to the civic site, the south bank of the Saskatchewan could be made the show spot of Western Canada.

The Edmonton Bulletin after last Friday's council meeting came out with a lengthy article under a scare-heading, the object of which was to show that Mayor Griesbach was not onto his job as the presiding officer at council meetings. He had given a ruling on a point of order which, it was claimed, he could find no authority for. It was not according to the civic rules of order, said the Bulletin, or according to Bourinot. At the next meeting the Mayor presented his ruling in writing, citing specifically his authorities and showing beyond the shadow of a doubt that he knew what he was doing. The matter itself is a comparatively trivial one. A man might be an excellent mayor and yet make a mistake under exceptional circumstances in determining off hand a point of order. We refer to the incident to illustrate the spirit in which the oldest news paper in the city approaches municipal questions. Since Mayor Griesbach took office, it has never lost an opportunity to endeavor to discredit him. Before the Bulletin criticism on any particular matter of civic interest is paid too strict attention to, citizens would do well to bear in mind its general attitude.

Mrs Horace D. Hume will receive for the first time since her return to Edmonton at her home, 337 Seventh street west, on Friday, April 26th, and afterwards on the fourth Friday of each month.

A landslide carried about one away hundred yards of E. V. and P. truck on the Groat estate on Saturday afternoon. The construction of a bridge over the chasm was immediately begun.

The Board of Trade will occupy offices in the Hanna Block, opposite Alberta College, on May 1st. The annual meeting of the Associated Boards of Trade of Western Canada is to be held this year at Prince Albert on the 18th, 19th and 20th June. Various matters of public interest will be dealt with at this meeting, and it is important that any citizen of Edmonton who has public matters which they think need attention, inform the Board of Trade at Edmonton as to such, on or before Saturday of this week, in order that the Council of the Board of Trade may make a draft of the same for presentation and consideration at this convention.

Word has been received in Strathcona that the C.P.R. maintenance of way men will receive an increase of 20 cents per day in their pay. The wages hitherto have run from \$1.50 to \$2.35 cents a day.

An important business change took place this week when Charles W. Campbell, who during the past year has built up a highly successful bakery and confectionery establishment, purchased the business of the Whitelaw Company, dealers in groceries and crockery. He will take possession the middle of May. Mr. Whitelaw will open up as a wholesale commission merchant.

The production of Gilbert and Sullivan's popular comic opera "The Pirates of Penzance," for three nights next week, promises to be the musical and dramatic event of the season. The opening performance will be attended by His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor and Mrs. Buley. A large chorus of 50 voices has been at work for the past two months, and an excellent orchestra of twenty players will support them. Elaborate scenery has been specially painted, and the costumes are coming from New York.

BORN.

Campbell—On April 17 to the wife of Charles W. Campbell, Edmonton, a daughter.

Chamberlain On Sunday, April 14, to Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Chamberlain, Edmonton, a daughter.

Harrison—On Wednesday, April 17, to Mr and Mrs. A. G. Harrison, Edmonton, a daughter.

MacKenzie—On April 10th, to the wife of Mr. D. S. MacKenzie, Deputy Minister of Education, Edmonton, a son.

Stewart—On Monday, April 8th, the wife of D. R. Stewart, Edmonton, for a son.

Gaetz.—At Red Deer, on April 10, to H. H. and Mrs. Gaetz, a daughter.

DIED.

Hilchey—In Kaslo, B.C., as the result of an accident in one of the mines, John Hilchey of Edmonton.

Clark—At Strathcona Hospital on Monday, April 8th, Geo. Clark, of Blatford, aged 34 years.

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The New Dominion Constituencies

And the Men Who are Likely to Contest Them

When the next Dominion general election is held, Alberta will send seven members to Ottawa, instead of four, as at present. At the end of this article is a map which shows the various constituencies in broad outline, as finally determined by Parliament. The exact boundaries are as follows:

EDMONTON AND VICTORIA.

The dividing line between Edmonton and Victoria running south from the northern boundary of the province is the meridian between the 21st and 22nd ranges, putting Athabasca Landing in Edmonton. Then it runs up stream along the Saskatchewan river to the town of Fort Saskatchewan and along its western limit, leaving the town in Victoria constituency. Then it comes down the meridian between 22nd and the 23rd ranges to the north boundary of the 52nd township. Clover Bar is thus in Edmonton and East Clover Bar and Agricola in Victoria.

From this point the southern boundary of Edmonton constituency runs west along the north boundary of the 52nd township to the river at Edmonton city. It follows the Saskatchewan river upstream to where the Brazeau river joins it. Going west from the Brazeau it strikes due west from the source of that stream to the western boundary of the province, along that boundary to the northern boundary and along the latter to the point from which we started.

So much for Edmonton. Now to return to its neighbor, Victoria, where we left it at the northern boundary of the 52nd township. It follows that boundary in an easterly direction to Beaverhills Lake. It follows the shore of that lake till it meets the north boundary of the 50th township. From there it zig-zags to the eastern boundary of the province. It goes along the northern boundary of the 50th township to the meridian between the 13th and 14th ranges, then south to the north boundary of the 49th township, along it to the meridian between the 12th and 13th ranges, then south to the north boundary of the 48th township and along it to the eastern boundary of the province.

All the towns on the C.N.R. from Fort Saskatchewan on are in Victoria. On the other hand, the whole of the Grand Trunk Pacific and of the Edmonton-Winnipeg line of the C.P.R. from Edmonton constituency east are in Strathcona constituency, which comes in next for description.

STRATHCONA.

Its northern boundary is the southern boundary of Victoria and Edmonton constituencies till the point is reached where Brazeau river touches the north boundary of the 43rd township. Here the southern boundary of the constituency runs easterly to the meridian between the 16th and 17th ranges, then south to the north boundary of the 40th township and along it to the eastern boundary of the province.

The principal places in Strathcona constituency will be the cities of Strathcona, Wetaskiwin, Leduc, and all the towns on the C.P.R. branch out from Wetaskiwin and on the G.T.P. east of Clover Bar.

RED DEER.

Red Deer's northern boundary is the southern boundary of Strathcona except in the extreme west, where its neighbor is Edmonton.

From the point where the line due west from the source of the Brazeau river strikes the western boundary of the province, it goes south along the latter to the north bound-

dary of the thirtieth township, and then along it straight across the province and north to where Strathcona is met again.

In Red Deer constituency constituency will be the towns of Ponoka, Lacombe, Red Deer, Penhold, Innisfail, Olds and Didsbury, and all those on the C.P.R. branch out of Lacombe.

CALGARY.

The northern boundary of the constituency of Calgary is the southern boundary of Red Deer from the western limit of the province to the meridian between the 24th and the 25th ranges. This meridian is its eastern boundary as far as the north boundary of the 22nd township, which is then followed back to the western limit of the province.

Besides the city of Calgary and its suburbs the constituency includes Carstairs, Crossfield, Airdrie, Banff, Cochrane, Strathmore, Midnapore is on the southern boundary line.

McLEOD.

The dividing line between the two remaining constituencies, McLeod and Medicine Hat, is a most devious one. McLeod's northern boundary runs the length of Calgary's southern. The meridian between the 24th and 25th ranges is followed in a southerly direction to the north boundary of the 19th township. Then we go along this to the meridian between the 22nd and 23rd ranges. Following this in a southerly direction we come to the Belly river, into which the St. Mary's river enters further down. These two rivers constitute the boundary till the southern boundary of the Blood Indian reserve is reached. It is followed as far as the meridian between the 27th and 28th ranges. This is taken to the northern boundary of the 2nd township, along which we go to the meridian between the 29th and 30th ranges. Coming south along this, we reach the Waterton lakes, the easterly and southerly boundaries of which we follow to the international boundary line. We are then but a short distance from the western boundary of the province, which is followed till Calgary constituency is touched again.

In McLeod constituency are all the places on the Calgary, McLeod line of the C.P.R. south of Midnapore and all of those on the Crow's Nest, west of but not including Lethbridge.

MEDICINE HAT.

The western boundary of Medicine Hat is the same as the eastern boundaries of McLeod and Calgary. Its northern boundary is the southern boundary of Red Deer from the meridian between the 24th and 25th ranges east. Its eastern boundary is the eastern boundary of the province from the north boundary of the 30th township south and its southern boundary, the international line, up to within a few miles of the western boundary of the province.

In Medicine Hat constituency are the cities of Medicine Hat and Lethbridge, Raymond, Magrath, and Cardston, and the whole of the country through which the Alberta Railway and Irrigation Company's lines pass. All the towns on the C.P.R. main line, east of but not including Strathmore, the principal of which is Gleichen, are within its limits.

WHO WILL THE CANDIDATES BE?

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The Attack on Mr. Finlay.

There is no excuse for the action of the Calgary papers, in their criticism of the government's choice of a university site, in attacking individual members of the cabinet.

Mr. Finlay has been singled out for attack. But Mr. Cushing is quite as responsible, so long as he remains in the Cabinet, for that body's action, as is the Minister of Agriculture. By remaining in the administration, the head of the public works department sanctions the step which has been taken. If the Albertan which has been particularly virulent in its attacks, is in earnest, it should call for Mr. Cushing's resignation. Yet it states that he has no intention of resigning and that he would be foolish to do so. If that is the case, it should keep quiet on the subject altogether. If the secrecy of cabinet proceedings is to be invaded and one minister blamed for action that it has taken and another excused, one of the fundamental principles of our system of government is abandoned.

"For the second time within one year" says the Albertan "the Minister of Agriculture has proved to be a traitor to the south country. In his conduct upon the capital question and again in this matter, he has once more shown petty enmity to this city, a pettiness which is not supposed to exist among cabinet ministers."

"Traitor" is a strong word. Is it rightly applied to a cabinet minister, who in the discharge of his duties holds that he is acting for the people of the province as a whole not for those of any one section? The fact that up to date so many have held to the latter idea has been a curse and Mr. Finlay is to be congratulated on the broad outlook that he is in the habit of taking.

An Epoch Making Change.

A change is imminent that is of the greatest consequence to Canadians. Hitherto practically all our reading matter, outside of newspapers, has come from across the border. It had the same privileges in connection with our mails as that which was issued from Canadian publishing houses and the latter, with the limited field to which they could appeal, were at a distinct advantage. On the other hand, the cost of bringing British periodicals into the country has been something like sixteen times that of bringing in those issued in the States, and such British publications as we have seen have been for the most part the editions issued in New York for American circulation.

This condition of things has been far from satisfactory and an agita-

tion has been kept up in the press for some years back to alter at the earliest opportunity. It stood in the way of the creation of a strong Canadian sentiment, which it was obviously impossible to foster so long as Canadians received their ideas to so large an extent from American resources. Further than this, the unfavorable position in which British publications stood made it difficult for us to keep in touch with the Motherland and it has frequently been argued with much force that if it were easier for Britishers and Canadians to read each other's newspapers, magazines and reviews, much more would be done for the cause of imperial unity than would be effected by any system of preferential tariffs. Certainly such an exchange would be of vastly greater importance than the imperial penny postage on letters, of which so much has been said.

It has remained for Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux, the present Canadian postmaster general, to bring about a new order of things. The present arrangements with the American postal authorities are to be discontinued and Hon. Sydney Buxton, the British postmaster general, has abandoned the attitude of his predecessors and consented to a reduction of the British rates on printed matter sent to Canada.

Briefly the result is this, according to the speech delivered in the House of Commons this week by Mr. Lemieux, that whereas in the past British publications have paid sixteen times what those of the United States did, they are now placed on a practical equality. A previous despatch intimated that the rate on newspapers and periodicals, passing between Canadian and the United States, would be increased from one cent per pound to one cent for every four ounces or part of four ounces.

The change will give a much needed stimulus to Canadian publishing and will be heartily welcomed by those who have viewed with alarm the spread of American ideas throughout the Dominion.

The Saturday News is not one of those newspapers that thinks Canadians have nothing to learn from their neighbors, and any movement which tends to increase the friendly spirit which should exist between them will have its strongest support. But it would be a great misfortune if we modelled our public or private conduct too much on theirs. It is mainly by studying the life and institutions of the Motherland and adapting the best that they have to offer to our conditions that we can most satisfactorily work out our own national destiny. It is for this reason that we regard the changes effected by Mr. Lemieux as most gratifying and as marking a distinct epoch in Canadian progress.

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IN THE ATHLETIC WORLD



At the annual meeting of the Western Ontario Football Association, the President, Mr. L. B. Duff said: "An organization that has for its sole purpose the fostering of clean sport should rest upon the press as its strong foundation, for to the newspaper falls the duty of guiding good sentiment and creating healthy ideals. The writers of sport have, indeed, an enviable position. It is their privilege to hold a finger on the pulse of every athletic enterprise. It is theirs to counsel and direct. There is no evil tendency in sport that a serious and vigilant press cannot destroy."

What Mr. Duff says is quite true, but unfortunately there are very few sporting writers who have any very high conception of what sport should be or who, if they have, possess the courage to say what they think. I know from experience what I am talking about when I say that the sporting editor who starts out to write home truths for his home team is in for a hot time of it. He must be the bravest of the brave himself and even if he has this qualification, his hands are likely to be tied by the management of the paper, which doesn't want to offend "the sporting public." The latter are usually prepared to call for the lynching of the members of an outside team that does any dirty work or for that of the umpire or referee who allows it, but when it comes to denouncing their own pets, the case is different. It's all very well for Mr. Duff to make a general declaration, which no one will dispute, but he himself is a newspaper man and knows how difficult it is for a sporting editor to carry out his ideas.

Ernest Lehmann, the well known writer on sporting topics, declares in the London Bystander that the fatal moment for a game arrives when people prefer to see it played by others rather than play it themselves. Commenting on this remark, a Canadian sporting enthusiast says that the only game then that is safe is golf, for it is the only one that cannot be watched by a seated crowd.

Have they not here a possible explanation of the undoubted fact that many a good sport, who has made a success of other games, has given them up altogether at an early age and devoted himself altogether to golf? I could name a dozen such myself. They played games as a recreation for themselves, not to give amusement to others, and when they found that they were getting into a class with professional amateurs, they preferred to quit altogether. In the first place they wasted a lot of time in keeping up with numerous sporting engagements and in the second they found it difficult to keep in the same trim for a game as those to whom sport was the only serious occupation in life. It would be better for everybody if all athletics were indulged in from the same motives as prompt a man to go out and have a game of golf. But there is no use bucking against human nature. There will always be people, when

society gets to a certain stage, who are too lazy to amuse themselves and demand that others amuse them. So we have professionalism in everything. But this is no reason why amateurism should die altogether. It can be maintained quite successfully alongside of professionalism. In certain departments of sport, it is the more popular of the two. Take rowing for instance. Where a hundred people attend a professional contest, a thousand are present at one of the great amateur events. Why should it be that way in field games, if the friends of amateurism get together and keep it alive? We are at a crisis in athletics in this country and there is a disposition to give over every game to the money-maker. But sooner or later a reaction is bound to take place. There is not so much amateurism about just at present but that those who are genuinely attached to sport for its own sake should not strongly support what there is.

Edmonton and Strathcona lacrosse teams have taken the field and each is looking forward to an active season. The Capitals have chosen the following officers:

Patrons, Hon. C. W. Cross, Hon. G. V. Bulyea, C. May, J. H. Morris, Mayor Griesbach.

Hon. Pres., H. Finch.
Hon. Vice pres., R. Secord.
President, W. H. Wickett.
1st vice pres., D. McKinnon.
Sec. Treas., A. L. Saele.
Manager, A. A. J. Kemp.
Captain, W. Powers.
Sec. pro tem, C. H. Bristow.

The officers across the river are: Patrons, Hon A. C. Rutherford, Dr McIntyre, Senator Talbot, N. D. Mills.

President, F. C. Jamieson.
First vice, Dr Crang.
Second vice, A. T. Spohn.
Additional executive, J. B. Miller, Harold Ritchie and the manager to be engaged by the other member of the executive.

Sec. treas., T. R. Tipton.
The action of the Alberta legislature in donating a cup for competition among the lacrosse clubs of the province should do much to stimulate interest in the national game. Hon. Dr. Devber of Lethbridge, with whom the idea originated, is entitled to not a little praise for his enterprise.

The hockey season in Edmonton was closed last week by a most enjoyable banquet under city league auspices at the Prince Arthur cafe. Warm tributes were paid by the various speakers to the good work done by the league in developing players who would prove useful at a later date on the senior teams. The Tegler-Morris medals were distributed to the league, the intermediates, the recipients being Messrs Grady, Haskell, Johnstone, Banford, Seaman, Ross, Clark and Bolander.

A game which will make its debut, on an organized basis in the city this summer is tennis. Hitherto it has been played on a few private courts but on Saturday last a meeting was held at the office of Mountfield and Graves for the purpose of forming a tennis club. Sufficient ground for two courts has been obtained in the Exhibition grounds and the club expects to commence play as soon as the courts can be laid. The following officers were elected:

Pres., Hon. C. W. Cross.
Vice pres., E. C. Pardee.
Secretary, Geo. H. Adams.
Committee, A. H. Jones, E. Carpenter, F. de Pass.

Anyone wishing to join the club is requested to communicate with Mr. Adams at an early date.

The old impression that tennis is a game which serves merely as an excuse for a pink tea should have disappeared by this time. No more strenuous exercise can possibly be

indulged in and the new organization should have the best wishes and support of all lovers of amateur sport.

An Eastern paper calls attention to the fact that a glove plays a more important point in the work of a baseball player than most people would credit.

Somebody broke into the club house at Bennet Park, Detroit, and stole the gloves of several players, and for a few weeks the men had trouble in fielding balls that would have been easy for them with the old gloves. As a rule the infielder tries to have three gloves. One of them is practically new and is used for practice and for use when the ball is wet or muddy, not in a game. Another, a glove a year old, is kept sacredly for use when the regular glove is lost or wears out. The third and oldest of the gloves is used for games only. It is three or four years old and is never really right unless the palm has been completely worn out and a place as large as the ball left unprotected on the hand. The catcher's mitts are just as important and perhaps even more carefully chosen. Jack Warner, of the Tigers, added five of the big fellows to his collection this winter, and now has a trunk full. He always keeps out one for use in games and is breaking in another at morning practice. "Ordinarily," says Jack, "I buy only one or two mitts each winter, but there is only one man who can make me a mitt the way I like it, and when I went round to order one I wanted for 1906, he looked as if he had only a few more moments to live, so I had him make me five."

There is one game that in this country at least has kept true to amateurism. I refer to cricket. Possibly if it were a more generally popular game in Canada, it would have gone the way of the others. But the fact is that men play it for the love of it. They pay all their own expenses, there being no gate receipts. The crowds that turn up to the matches are comparatively small and there is very little outward glory to be won. But they find that there is quite enough satisfaction in making a good hit to leg or in capturing a hard wicket to repay them for the time and the energy and the money that they spend on the game.

The clubs throughout the province are now organizing and it looks as if the game will flourish as it has never done before in this part of the west. The Edmonton club, which carried everything before it a year ago, is again in the field.

The meeting of the Edmonton cricketers on Wednesday night at the W. S. Weeks Co. office was largely attended and the game was launched for the season under the most favorable auspices. The following officers were chosen:

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ing,
I wish I could hear the bells a-ring-
ing,
I wish I could listen in the old grey
church
to what the preachers say,
I can hear the voice of London still,
Milking times and on the hill,
Brewing ale and making bread;
I wish I could hear the folks a-talk-
ing
I wish I could go with the lads a-
walking,
I wish I could smile at the gay farm
lads, and
be lightly wooed and wed.
I can hear the voice of London
ways,
Calling, calling, nights and days,
Calling, calling, loud and long;
Ah, I know when the church-
yard trees are shaking
I know when I'm done wi' sleep and
waking,
I know I shall hear London Town
a-calling, lying
in my shroud!
—Agnes Grozier Herbertson.

It was last Tuesday evening when I met them on Jasper Avenue and they have been in my thoughts off and on ever since. There was no mistaking how long they had been in the city or where they had come from. The cut of their clothes was sufficient to enlighten one on the latter point, even if I had not heard a scrap of their conversation as they passed. I have not yet learned to distinguish the people of the various parts of England by their speech, but I knew that it was somewhere south of the Tweed that they had but very recently had their homes.

A slip of a girl hung on her father's arm. Her brother sauntered alongside, his hands plunged deep into his coat pockets and his shoulders hunched up. There was a flurry of snow in the air and a raw wind blowing. Though I am an enthusiast on the subject of Albertan weather, I had been complaining all day about the backward spring and wondering if winter would ever take its departure. It has certainly been enough to dampen the most ardent spirits. Is it any wonder then that I saw in the faces of the three new comers the blank look always associated with homesickness—that peculiar but very real malady from which all of us who have moved across the line must have suffered. One could not help sympathising with them. It would be possible even to forgive them if they wrote home and told their friends about town the way in which they had been swindled into coming to a frozen wilderness.

But others have gone through the mill who have not had to wait long to bless the day that brought them to this land of glorious opportunity. Twenty years hence that boy and that girl should be telling their children how deceiving were the first impressions of their new home.

Hundreds of our new citizens are having these experiences nowadays. Starting out with such high hopes, they are always sure to have disappointments on arrival. But no harm will be done in the end and they will be better able to appreciate

normal Alberta weather, when we have it.

I think that most Englishmen who have lived in Alberta for a sufficiently long time to know what they are talking about will agree with me in what I have said. But even so, I can understand how it is that at this time of the year in particular, their thoughts must often go back longingly to the scenes of earlier days. There is nothing strange about this. However happy and contented any one of us may be in the present there is always some place that knows us no more, for which we harbor a sentimental attachment. "Dear the school boy spot we ne'er forget, though there we are forgot." A person does not need to be of English birth to read with delight those well known lines of Browning's which he entitled "Home thoughts from abroad." To the Englishman they must make a powerful appeal and I have succumbed to the temptation to reproduce them in full:

"Oh, to be in England now that April's there
And whoever walks in England sees,
some morning, unware,
That the lowest boughs and the
crushwood sheaf
Round the elm tree hole are in tiny
leaf

While the chaffinch sings on the orchard bough
In England now!

And after April, when May follows
And the white throat builds and all
the swallows!

Hark, where my blossomed pear
tree in the hedge
Leans on the field and scatters on
the clover

Blossoms and dew-drops at the bent
spring's edge That's the wise
thrush;

He sings each song twice over
Lest you should think he never could
recapture

The first fine careless rapture!
And though the fields look rough
with hoary dew,
And will be gay when noontide
wakes anew

The buttercups, the little children's
dew,
Far brighter than the gaudy melon
flower.

HOME AND SOCIETY

To London Town from Babylon
The pageant of the world goes by!
For you, for you, I pause and con-
A Stander-By

The Camrose Mail gives the following interesting picture of social life in a town which sprang into existence three months ago: "A most interesting event took place at the important business centre of the new railway 'Sedgewick.' Mr. H. A. Dreyer of the Battle River Land and Investment Co. was married on the 20th of February to Miss Laura Smart of Calgary and after spending a short honeymoon at the home of the bride, they arrived at Sedgewick on the 22nd and were handsomely received, the town turning out 'en masse' and a number of decorated sleighs escorted the happy pair 'amid cheers and reports of firearms,' to the 'Armitage' where they are at present staying until the completion of their new home.

On March 15th a Complimentary Ball was given by the Townspeople

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ed.The Government is putting in a
ferry over the Saskatchewan at Big
Island, south west of Edmonton.A local passenger service has been
inaugurated on the Spokane Inter-
national. The service gives a morn-
ing train from Kingsgate, the con-
nection with the Crow line, at six
o'clock in the morning to Spokane
which is reached at about eight in
the evening. It is announced that
the through train between St. Paul
and Spokane will be put on June
19th. On the Crow's Nest the train
will only stop at Lethbridge,
Macleod, Frank and Fernie.The Innisfail Free Lance has been
purchased by W.M. Mackay a jour-
nalist of experience in South Africa
and Scotland.Mrs. Catherine Fingland of Caith-
ness, Scotland, has presented the
public school at Innisfail with a
library in memory of her daughter,
Mrs. Woodrow, who died in Innis-
fail early in the year.The Lethbridge Herald says: "It
has not been decided to place the
Provincial Asylum at Ponoka as has
been reported, Macleod is still under
consideration. Hon. W. H. Cushing,
Minister of Public Works, is likely
to make a visit to Lethbridge very
soon in connection with the selec-
tion of a site for the new provincial
penitentiary."Tabor is applying for incorporation
as a town.An eight-roomed school will be
erected in Olds.The new fire hall at Red Deer was
opened with a most successful ball.While crossing the Old Man river
in a buggy, a short distance below
Macleod, last Friday, Rev. F. E.
Cory, a young Englishman, who
came to Canada three years ago,
and who has occupied several Me-
thodist mission fields in Northern
Alberta was drowned. He had been
writing on examinations and
was driving out to his ranch.
He recently lived at Lethbridge.
He leaves a widowed mother and
several sisters in England. He was
swept by the swift current off the
regular ford into deep water.The Liberals of Vegreville will
hold a banquet in honor of J. B.
Holden M.P.P. on April 30th.A. T. Walker's offer of six acres
for a park has been accepted by the
Vegreville council.The residence of Patrick Bolan
of Vegreville was totally destroyed
by fire some weeks ago.The Lloydminster Times indulges
in this withering bit of sarcasm:
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catalogue and notice that Miss
Marie Corelli has written a book,
entitled 'God's Good Man.' We
understand that this rather inter-
feres with the plans of Billy Rid-
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Manfred	14.4	8.5	12.00
Pincher Creek	15.00	8.84	12.48
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Among grain-growers the greatest number of losses sustained because of defects in quality are traceable to the seed or seed bed. If these be bad, it matters little what pains are taken hereafter, the crop is about sure to be equally bad.

In wheat, one of the most common defects is smut. The only known remedy against this disease is careful treatment of the seed. We are aware that there are soil and climatic conditions which sometimes appear to defy our efforts, yet it has been fully demonstrated that those farmers who treat their grain carefully have much less smut than those who do not do so, and the time to do this is NOW.

Shrunken, frosted or musty grain seed will not yield a good crop except under unusually favorable circumstances, and the presence of weed seeds, other classes of grain and inferior varieties of the same class all tend to impair the market value of the crop. All of these are under the farmer's control and the time to control them is NOW.

The most valuable cereal produced in the northwest and the one which demands the greatest care in preparing the seed bed is wheat. High grade wheat can seldom be produced on land that has been poorly ploughed and poorly harrowed or on land that is naturally loose, is wet or has had a heavy stubble ploughed under. If the climate be droughty, the soil loose or a heavy stubble has been turned under the sub surface packer will remedy these defects; if the soil is wet, surface drainage give excellent results; all of these things are under the farmer's control, but he can derive no benefit from them this year unless he controls them NOW.

WEED SEEDS IN FEED AND SEED.

In the new Noxious Weeds Act which was passed at the recent session of the Legislature of Alberta, there are two clauses which should be of special interest to farmers, seedsmen, millers and dealers in chopped feed and bran throughout the Province. These are:

"13. No person shall sell or dispose of, or offer for sale or disposal, or have in his possession for sale, any grain, grass, clover or other seeds intended for the purpose of seed, in which there is more than five seeds of any noxious weeds per thousand of such seed.

"14. No person shall purchase or sell, barter or otherwise dispose of or remove from any premises, any bran, shorts, chopped or crushed grain or cleanings containing seeds of noxious weeds unless the germinating qualities of such seeds have been destroyed."

Anyone stopping to think of the acres upon acres of good land which have been rendered foul in the first crop, either from weed seeds being introduced in the seed or the feed, will recognise the importance of having these clauses strictly enforced, and it is to be hoped that dealers will be careful to furnish none but clean seed or feed both in their own interests and that of the farmers throughout the province.

CARDSTON NOTES.

Cardston, April 7th.—Green grass is showing up in this region, seeding commenced on April 3rd and he came more general as the week progressed but high winds did not make it a pleasant job. The Cardston Electric Light and Water Works are now in running order and

fires were lit in the boilers for the first time on Saturday the 6th.

The horse breeders here are agitating in the matter of a horse breeder's association for Cardston because so many good horses have been brought in for breeding purposes this year, and with those that were already here it looks as though the 1908 crop of colts should be a superior lot. It being too late to organise a spring show the horsemen have decided to hold a parade of good horses on the main thoroughfare on Saturday April 20th.

The Toronto Weekly Sun makes the following comment on Mr. Schaffner's resolution for a lowering of the tariff on agricultural implements: "The bill embodying the new tariff received its final reading in the House of Commons last week. Immediately prior to its final adoption Mr. Schaffner (Con.) moved that the duty on mowing machines, binders, etc., be reduced from 17 1-2 to 10 percent. The motion was rejected, Messrs Borden, Foster, Sproule, and other leading Conservatives assisting the Government in voting it down. Mr. Schaffner did not seek the most vulnerable point in the tariff, even from an exclusively farmer's standpoint, in making his attack. If the duty on all the articles a farmer is making to buy did not exceed 17 1-2 per cent there would be very little to complain of so far as the Dominion taxation is concerned. The burdens farmers complain of are those represented by a Custom tax of 30 per cent on tweeds, overcoatings, and other woollen clothing imported from Great Britain; a tax of 30 per cent on the harness imported from the United States, and a tax of 25 to 50 per cent on waggon and buggies. If the scale of taxation were reversed—if the implement duty of 17 1-2 per cent were placed on clothing and the 30 per cent clothing tax put upon binders, mowers, etc., the aggregate of the farmer's clothing tax would, in the majority of cases, still be greater than the total of the tax on his implements. As it is at present, the duties on woollen and cotton goods impose a greater burden on the average farmer than is imposed either under municipal taxation or by all other customs duties combined. Those who really desire to lessen the load of the farmer's taxation should strike at the tax on clothing."

The Farmer and Stockbreeder, a well known English publication, says in a recent issue:—Mr. Tom. Rawlinson, of Olds, Alberta, Canada, has secured from Messrs Forshaw and Sons, of Carlton on Trent, that famous son of the old champion Harold: viz., Mark Harold. This is a big horse 17h., and close on a ton in weight. He has a striking appearance, great courage, and fine movement. His bone is big and flat, feather excellent, good feet and joints, deep through the heart, powerful loins and back, rotund of rib, thick, and altogether a horse of great constitution, and for breeding no horse ever left the shores of Britain of better blood. Sir Harold, dam Miss Molly, by Calwich Topamun. This mare was bred by His Majesty King Edward VII, and one of the very best ever sold at Sandringham. His stock are the right type, and he has been most prolific; he cannot fail to be of great advantage to breeders in Alberta.

Several matters of importance were brought up at the last meeting of the Didsbury branch of the A.F. A. The C.P.R. was requested to put in a loading platform and scales at the station. The complaint was made that the elevator men were docking on oats whether they were cleaned or not. The Olds creamery, it was stated, manufactured butter for three cents a pound and gath-

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The Tragedy of Frog Lake

Mr. W. B. Cameron, the sole male survivor, recalls the massacre which took place just twenty years ago

The editor of the Vermillion Signal, Mr. W. B. Cameron, the only white man who escaped from the Frog Lake massacre, indulges in the following reminiscent sketch in the columns of his paper:

Just twenty years ago on Tuesday March 27th, there occurred a few miles north of Vermillion one of the most tragic events in recent Canadian history. In the early hours of the morning of that day, the Indians of Big Bear's band of Plain Crees rose and treacherously murdered the entire population of the Frog Lake settlement, with the exception of two white women and one white man. Frog Lake is a beautiful body of water just across the Saskatchewan River immediately north of Vermillion. In 1878 when the government of Canada, through its commissioners, was treating with the Indians for the extinguishment of their titles in their lands of the Northwest, Big Bear was one of the few chiefs who refused to accept the terms which were offered. His independent stand attracted to him the malecontents and turbulent characters of other bands and he soon found himself at the head of one of the most select groups of red scoundrels that could be collected between the Red River and the Rocky Mountains. In 1883, Big Bear accepted the treaty at Fort Walsh, south of Maple Creek on the C.P.R., and came north to the Saskatchewan with his following. During the winter of 1884-5, the old chief and his crowd of cut-throats were encamped at Frog Lake, having on one pretext or another failed up to that time to take a reservation. On March 26th, at Duck Lake, 200 miles away, the signal was given which lighted the fires of rebellion among the tribes all the way from Prince Albert to Edmonton. This was the shot which started the fight on that day between the halfbreeds under Louis Riel and the North West Mounted Police and Prince Albert volunteers under Major Crozier. On the 2nd April the Indians of Big Bear's band gave their answer to the signal in the Frog Lake massacre.

Before daylight on the morning of that day they had entered the houses and buildings in Frog Lake, possessed themselves of all the weapons belonging to the occupants and taken prisoner every white man in the place. Before 11 o'clock they had shot all these men down in cold blood with the exception of one who was in the service of the Hudson's Bay Co. at that point, and for that reason escaped. The wives of two of the murdered men were also made prisoners. On the 28th of May, just two months later, General Strange arrived on the scene with Col Steele, since to become known throughout the Empire as the gallant commandant of Strathcona's Horse, and Big Bear and his following were routed. On the 29th of November in the same year, six of the mur-

derers were swung from a gallows in the R.N.W.M.P. barracks square at Battleford. Big Bear went to Stony Mountain, in Manitoba for two years. Shortly after his release in 1887 he died at Battleford. His youngest son, long grown up, now lives on one of the reserves in that vicinity. Another son, Inascees, the real instigator of the Frog Lake massacre, now popularly known as Little Bear, roams about Montana with a remnant of the old following of his father. Nayokeskopeness, Four Sky Thunder, is the only red-man prominent in the tragic affair who still makes the Saskatchewan his home. He served several years in the Manitoba penitentiary and now lives on a reserve near Battleford. He was a prominent councillor of Big Bear. Wandering Spirit, the war chief of the band and the man who began the massacre by shooting the Indian agent, Tom Quinn, was one of the number who died on the scaffold. Of the two women who were prisoners, one, Mrs. Gowanlock, died a few years ago at her father's home near St. Catharines, Ont. The other Mrs. Delaney, still lives near Ottawa. The white man who escaped is the publisher of this paper.

Times have indeed changed since those stirring days of 1885. In 1907 the white among is numerically too strong and the redman too weak in the West that the idea of the latter being a menace would seem ridiculous, but it will no doubt interest some of the newer residents of the country to learn that within so short a time so marked a transition would take place.

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The New Dominion Constituencies

(Continued from page 5)

that all the present members will again be candidates. Hon. Frank Oliver will doubtless run in Edmonton, Dr. McIntyre in Strathcona, Mr. McCarthy in Calgary, and Mr. Herron, whose home is at Pincher Creek, in McLeod. As to who their opponents will be there is little talk. It is no secret that in Edmonton, the Conservative party is badly disorganised and that unless something altogether unforeseen happens in the meanwhile, the opposition to Mr. Oliver will be of a perfunctory character. Dr. McIntyre M. P. has shown his mettle in the House. He has been a painstaking representative and should win out easily against all comers both in the Liberal nominating convention and at the polls. Mr. McCarthy, the Conservative member for Calgary, by his ability and industry has won many friends and admirers. He is undoubtedly the strongest man that the party has now before the public in Alberta. Dr. Stewart of Calgary was his opponent in 1904. Even though the Liberals of Calgary are somewhat out of touch with the members of the party throughout the province just at present, owing to the struggles which have arisen over the location of the provincial capital and the provincial university, they are not likely to let this dampen their fighting ardour, when the general election comes along. But Mr. McCarthy is much safer than he would have been if he had had to face a contest shortly after Mr. Cushing's defeat of Mr. Bennett and no matter who comes out against him he will in all likelihood win by a comfortable majority.

Mr. Herron, the Conservative

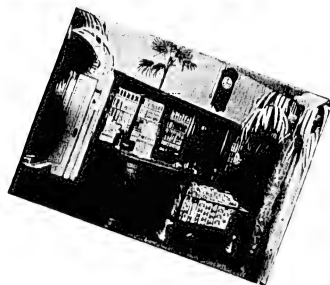
member for the old constituency of Alberta has developed greatly since entering the House. He is an old timer in the country, with a glad hand for everybody, and takes his duties seriously. Malcolm Mackenzie M.P.P. for McLeod was his opponent in 1904 and it would not be at all surprising should they line up again. Other Liberal possibilities are C. S. Hotchkiss of Claresholm and R. A. Wallace, ex M.P.P. of High River.

THREE VIRGIN FIELDS.

In Victoria, Red Deer and Medicine Hat, the way is open for a completely new set of candidates. There will be a lively contest for the Liberal nomination in Victoria. The names of the two local members, Frank Walker M.P.P. and J. B. Holden M.P.P. are being freely mentioned.

But it will be in Red Deer that the most active campaign for the Liberal nomination will take place. Already the claims of various men of prominence in the party are being discussed. George W. Smith of Red Deer, who was a close second to Dr. McIntyre for the nomination in Strathcona year ago, is believed to have the best chance. The friends of John T. Moore, M.P.P. are keeping him before the public, while there are a very large number who would like to see Dr. Clark of Olds at Ottawa. If he should be sent there, he would certainly do the constituency great credit and it is a pity if the province could not in some way have the advantage of his services in some department of public life. Conservative possibilities are Andrew Gilmour of Lacombe, who gave Mr. Puffer a close run for the local House and J. A. Jackson, the well known Ponoka barrister, while if

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Rev. Dr. Gaetz of Red Deer, Mr. Moore's opponent in the provincial elections would care to accept the nomination, he would find many of his party associates to support him for it. Altogether the situation in Red Deer is decidedly the most interesting in the province. Whatever candidates take the field, the result will be close. The provincial constituencies of Innisfail, Lacombe and Red Deer are all included in this new riding and only a few votes divided the parties in each of these. On the north, part of Ponoka constituency is included, where for the provincial house Mr. Jackson gave Dr. McLeod, the Liberal member, a close run, while in the south, part of Rosebud, which Mr. Hiebert one of the two Conservatives sitting at Edmonton, represents, is to be considered. Mr. Hiebert's home town, Didsbury, is in Red Deer. We may rest assured, therefore, that when the writs are issued, the spectacular fight of the province will be in this constituency.

In Medicine Hat, it is generally agreed that W. C. Simmons, the member of the local house for Lethbridge, will be the Liberal candidate. As Lethbridge has a bigger country tributary to it than Medicine Hat, the chances will be in favor of the candidates of both parties coming from it. Mr. Simmons, of Medicine Hat who made a good run against Hon Mr. Finlay, is, however, a strong possibility for the Conservative nomination.

Mr. C. A. Magrath of Lethbridge, who has lately given up his connection with the A.R. & L., and who was a member of the Legislative Assembly at Regina, will likely be in the field, either as an independent or as the Conservative candidate.

At this early date, general forecasts are of little value, but it looks as if in the northern three constituencies the Liberals will have an easy time of it, that in the southern three the chances are strongly in

favor of the Conservatives and that in the central one, Red Deer, the returns will have to be all in before the result will be beyond doubt.

CONTAGIOUS DISEASES IN DOMESTIC ANIMALS.

The following extracts from the Public Health Act of 1907 should be carefully noted.

81. Whenever an animal is ill with anthrax, glanders or rabies the owner of such animal, as well as the veterinary surgeon, if any, called to attend it, shall at once declare the existence and nature of to the medical health officer of the district who shall at once give notice to the provincial health officer.

85. The medical health officer or provincial health officer shall at once cause to be isolated in a completely isolated apartment or in a special building or enclosure any animal which he knows or suspects to be sick with anthrax, glanders or rabies and such premises so isolated shall remain so until the animal dies or recovers and the premises are disinfected in the manner described in schedule 10.

86. Whosoever shall attend to such an animal sick with anthrax or glanders shall not attend to other animals nor enter any house without having previously disinfected his person and clothes.

87. Bodies of animals which have died of anthrax or glanders shall not be skinned but shall within six hours after death be burned or buried under three feet of earth, after having been covered with quick lime a foot deep.

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What's all this row about an exclusive natural gas franchise? How can any company have an exclusive franchise as long as the council it-self stays in business?

I have two betting friends, who carry their vice, I think, to such lengths as to be most reprehensible. They attend the Church of England and their latest diversion is in connection with the services there.

You have noticed that when the choir sings the anthem, some people in the congregation stand up, while others do not. A few who are strongly attached to traditional usages invariably rise. The stranger, taken unawares, follows them, then he looks around at those near him who are comfortably seated and wishes he hadn't been so hasty. Sometimes, if he is particularly bold, he sits down again. Of course if a young man has a lady friend in the choir whom he particularly admires, he never fails to stand. The opportunity is too good a one to be lost. As for myself, after the first few experiences, I have always just set my teeth and resolved that, no matter if I was the only one to retain my seat in that part of the church, I would stick to it. This of course, is natural in a Lounge. But to return to my friends, they became very much interested in noting what transpired on these occasions and now they make a wager as to how many will stand and how many will sit in the four pews that they have a complete view of, their own, that in front and the two opposite.

They tell me the excitement be-

comes quite intense when the decisive moment arrives. There are always some who can be spotted by the firm look about their mouths as sure not to stand. If women are in the majority, the chances are against the man who is betting on the "sitters." But a decision is seldom reached till the anthem is at least a quarter finished. There is always some cellow youth who is casting several lingering, longing looks behind and there is no telling when he may flop and change the face of things. Of course there are some people who would call the diversion a time one. But young men are sometimes driven to strange things in an outpost of Empire.

These and other practices indulged in by the youth of the city may shock many good people. But they must make some allowances for the unusual conditions that face us. Apart from these, however, the young men of the present age are a great improvement on those of former generations. If you want to learn what life was like a hundred years ago, you should get hold of a copy of the current National Review and read the sketch of a famous habitue of Piccadilly, familiarly known as old "O," but who held a succession of the titles of Lord March and the Marquis of Queensberry. Burns and Wordsworth paid some attention to him. He certainly carried his betting proclivities to extremes. On one occasion he bet that old King George would die within a certain period. His Majesty, however, recovered and hearing of the bet, fired old "Q" from the post of lord of the bedchamber which he had held for about a quarter of a century.

"Why" I hear some one ask "do young men who do such terrible things in church, go to church?" I often wonder why myself. But they do go and I don't imagine that unless they disturb the service, they will ever be forcibly ejected. Religious and secular affairs are frequently very strangely mixed. A Methodist superintendent of education was travelling through the mountains in a neighboring state not long ago, when the stage coach was held up. One by one the passengers were rifled. At last the leader of the robbers came to the preacher.

"I don't think you should take what I have," the latter nervously suggested. "I am only a poor minister."

"Is that so?" was the reply, "what church?"

"Methodist!"

"The deuce you say" ejaculated the robber. "Why, that's my church. I wouldn't think of touching anything of yours."

John T. Moore, M.P.P., addressed a meeting at Ponoka a few weeks ago, in which he spoke of the town as "beautiful Ponoka." Now the Ponoka Herald comes out with an editorial to say that the town is not beautiful at all but that the citizens should get together and make it so. The Herald should not be too severe. No really eloquent man is supposed to abide by the cold hard facts and then John T. has for the past year or so been so uninterruptedly singing the praises of Red Deer that he doubtless forgot that for the time being he was on another subject.

What a beautiful time we shall have if the suffragettes win their fight over in Britain, secure votes and then cross the briny for the purpose of stirring up their sisters on this continent. An extra force of coroners will have to be appointed in every town to keep up with the inquests. Naturally I am an optimist, but if this sort of thing goes much further, I can see the finish of our civilization.

The trouble with the women who want to displace men is that they are not prepared to go the whole length and be treated in all respects as men. One of these suffragettes, on being released from prison at Bradford, addressed a public meeting and described how brutally she and her companions had been treated by the police. "Why," she exclaimed "my sister had to bite one of the officers to make him lose his hold."

I don't think that these female agitators would make much headway if they came to Western Canada. In no part of the world are conditions healthier. Nowhere are women performing more faithfully their proper functions. Even the occupations outside the home for which they are fitted can't hold them, as many a rural trustee can testify. He can appreciate the lines which run:

A pretty teacher taught a school,

But didn't teach it long,

A pretty teacher taught a school,

Please listen to my song.

She isn't teaching any more.

We said the mail was pretty.

Just see if you can figure out

The answer to the ditty.

You remember the old story about the leading lady who couldn't appear because a moth got into her dressing room and ate up her costume. Perhaps she belonged to the organization, the manager and sign painter of which were having a conversation:

"Say," said the sign painter "dat sign of ours'n sayin dat dey wuz \$10,000 spent in costumes fer de chorus girls ain't no good. -De t'cayter across the street hez got one sayin' dat deirs cost \$250,000. Wot'll I do?"

"Put one out" replied the manager, saying that the costumes for our entire chorus cost less than \$25. That'll fetch em."

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Alberta Farmer

(Continued from page 11)

ered the cream besides. That in Didsbury charges four cents and the farmers have to haul the cream. The creamery management will be interviewed and an effort will be made to see whether a government creamery could be erected at this point.

Mr. W. F. Stevens, secretary of the A.F.A. has returned from a trip south, on which he put in, under most auspicious circumstances, a branch at Ferry Point. On reaching home, letters were awaiting him giving the information that three new branches had organized on their own account as a result of his trip down the C.N.R.

Thomas Ballaam, secretary of the Vegreville branch of the A.F.A. writes: "A large body of farmers rallied around our president for the last time as he leaves for B.C. on Wednesday. James J. Stanton was elected to President by acclamation. Some very important business went through. There is a strong feeling among our members that the banks should be open on Saturdays till 3 p.m. as usual and have their half holiday in the middle of the week. There is more business and trading done on Saturday than any other day in the week. We would like to know what other branches and kindred societies have to say on the matter. Keep the packing house movement going boys. There are no settled prices for produce at present."

The Strathcona branch of the Alberta Farmers' Association met in the fire hall, Strathcona, on April 13th. President Fulton occupied the chair and a large number of members were present. The secretary read a letter from the Deputy Minister of Agriculture stating that they were pleased to know that their efforts along educational lines were appreciated by the members of the Alberta Farmers' Association. The secretary was instructed to write the general traffic manager for freight rates on car lots of potatoes from Strathcona to New Westminster. Several letters were read from different twine manufacturers offering to supply twine to the association and it was resolved to order car of 12 tons of warranted pure manilla, 600ft per lb, from the Kingston penitentiary to be delivered in Strathcona first of August and to be sold to members for \$12.85 for 100lbs. It was further resolved to let other twine dealers know through the papers how much twine the association was ordering. After taking the individual twine orders the meeting adjourned.

In the item which appeared in this column last week regarding the binder twine prices quoted by the Brantford Binder Twine Company, a typographical error occurred, which must have been evident to those who read the paragraph carefully. The price of Samson is 16 not 14.

A Cardston correspondent writes under date April 15th:

Wheat went up to 54 cents at elevator today and 56 at the mill the highest yet known in Cardston.

EDMONTON MARKETS

There has been very little change

in the local grain market during the past week.

Deliveries have been small owing to the bad condition of roads.

Coarse grains show a firmer tendency, with oats selling at 27c to 30c per bushel by the load on the Market Square.

Elevator Prices.

No. 2 Nor. Wheat, 55 cents per bush.

No. 3 Nor Wheat 52 cents per bush.

Lower Grades, 40 to 48 cents per bush.

No. 2 White Oats, 25 cents per bush.

No. 3 White Oats 24 cents per bush.

Feed Barley 27 to 30 cents per bush. Malting Barley, 30 to 40 cents per bush.

Average price malting barley 35 cents.

HAY receipts of hay have been more liberal but demand continues good at prices quoted.

Ruling prices about as follows:

Baled Hay in car lots—

Slough, \$10 to \$13 per ton.

Upland, \$14 to \$17 per ton.

Timothy \$17 to \$20 per ton.

By the load on market square—

Slough, \$12 to \$18 per ton

Upland, \$17 to \$20 per ton.

Timothy, \$20 to \$25 per ton

Sheave Oats, \$8 to \$12 per ton.

Straw, \$4.00 to \$5 per load.

Coal, \$4.50 to \$5 per ton.

Flour, Retail.

Best patent, \$2.30 per cwt.

Strong Bakers \$2 per cwt.

PRODUCE MARKET.

Prices quoted are average prices being paid to farmers in quantities

Eggs.

Eggs are being brought in more freely and there is a slightly lower tendency to prices. Strictly fresh 20c per dozen.

Butter.

Receipts more liberal at a slightly lower range of prices.

Fancy dairy, 1 pound prints, 30 to 33 cents per pound.

Good to choice dairy, 25 to 30 cents per pound.

Dairy in crocks and tubs, 18 to 20 cents per pound. Creamery butter 30 to 35 cents per pound. Old butter, slow sale.

Potatoes.

There is a more active demand for potatoes with a small advance in prices.

Good potato selling around 40 cents per bushel.

LIVE STOCK

Fat cattle, live weight, 4c to 4 1-4c per pound; dressed, 6 1/2 to 7 1/2c per pound.

Live hogs, 6c to 6 1/2c per pound. Dressed, 8 1/2c per pound.

Live Sheep, 5 1-2 to 6 cents per pound

Veal calves, dressed, 8 to 10 cents per pound.

POULTRY:

Live Turkeys, 15 to 16 cents per pound

Dressed, 18 to 20 cents per pound

Live chickens, 11 to twelve and a half per pound. Dressed, 15 to 17 per pound.

Old hens, live, 10 to 11 cents per pound.

Old hens, dressed 14 cents per pound

THE GRAIN MARKETS.

Winnipeg, April 18th.

There was a further advance in wheat markets on Friday and Satur-

day last week but bullish sentiment has cooled since and Winnipeg prices show a decline around half cent per bushel compared with a week ago. Damage reports from the winter wheat belt less persistent but we consider the general market situation not less strong and expect advancing price again, excellent demand to day from exporters for wheat for May delivery.

Delay in starting seeding in this country may become a strong factor in the markets. Oats advanced one half cent at the beginning of the week but eased off again and prices are now unchanged from last week. Closing prices to-day:

No. 1, cash 76 3-8.

No. 2, Nor. cash, 74 3-8.

No. 3, Nor. cash, 71 3-8.

May delivery, 77 3-8.

July delivery, 78 1-2.

No. 2, white oats, cash, 35 3-4.

May delivery 36 3-4.

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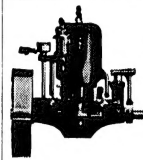
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The Week in Calgary

As Reviewed by the Correspondent of the Saturday News

Will the City Ask Uncle Andy for a Library---Building and Real Estate---Strike Rumors---The Bus Service.

Calgary, April 18.—The death of Mr. Charles F. Comer has removed one of Calgary's most widely known and popular citizens. He was an efficient member of the city school board and a very conspicuous figure in the Independent Order of Oddfellows, having held the highest offices therein. For eighteen years he had been a citizen of Calgary, and a prosperous business had been built up by him. In athletic circles he was widely known, being considered one of the best marksmen in Western Canada. A wife and three children are left. The Oddfellows conducted the funeral, which took place on Wednesday afternoon.

Plans for Calgary's new city hall are to be in the hands of the committee of public works by the first of May. They have not been coming in freely, and it is felt that the time given architects from the meeting in the middle of March, was rather short. Certainly the competition is limited thereby, as Eastern architects will have had very little time to secure information as to the cost of material when landed in Canada. It would seem that local architects are unduly favored in the competition, and it is felt by many who have looked into the matter that it is unwise to have such a building as this erected without having plans from all the ablest architects of Canada at least who are willing to submit them. There is a growing feeling, too, that something can be done to surmount the ever new inability of architects to submit plans which can actually be materialized for the amount specified. The solution, offered is that contracting firms retain their own architects, and that plans submitted by them be binding upon these firms, who may be compelled to erect a building according to the plans and for the specified sum.

The canvas for the Y.M.C.A. building is dragging along somewhat slowly, but all concerned are optimistic about the outcome. At the time of writing about \$16,000 remains to be raised, the Chester-Massey estate of Toronto having this week contributed \$5,000. There have been rumors all along of a possible contribution of \$10,000. This has not been reported yet, but is nevertheless thought to have a good deal to do with the optimism of the canvassing committee. At any rate the local men as well as General Secretary Sayer say they're going to see the thing through, and Calgary seems assured of one of the finest Y.M.C.A. buildings in Canada. The cost is to be \$90,000. It will be situated in the very centre of the town, will be built of stone, and thoroughly equipped. It is an institution which Calgary sorely needs.

At the next session of the city council on Monday evening, the 22nd, there promises to be an interesting discussion of the Carnegie library question. The matter is a very live one in Calgary just now, having been brought to the front in various ways, but chiefly by the universally felt need. Several of the Aldermen are opposed to accepting any aid whatever from Carnegie, looking upon his money as tainted lucre. This is rather an odd position for these gentlemen to assume, as lots of money has been made in Calgary in ways just as harsh as some of those credited to Carnegie. It is felt that the

attitude of these city fathers is more of a bait to the labor vote of Calgary than anything else. The trades and labor council have discussed the matter and passed resolutions against the acceptance of the vote. One other ground of objection is taken by men who despise the "tainted money" idea as absurd and childish—that the conditions imposed upon a city accepting the Mr. Carnegie's gifts give the city rather a poor bargain. Ten per cent of the amount of the gift is said to be required to be raised yearly for maintenance for all time. The plan receiving most support in the city at present is that a floor or suite of rooms be set aside in the new city hall for library purposes.

Real estate is moving more freely this week than at any time for the season. Several firms report good sales, and others are doubtless sharing in the movement. There was a period of decided dullness in the local market for some time, caused, it is claimed by some, by the efforts of a certain few to bear the market. Prices have not slumped at all, however, and central property on Eighth avenue has sold recently at \$1,000 per foot. In four blocks all available building property is being held at that figure. On Seventh avenue land held by the school board passed into the hands of the city in an exchange at \$6,000 per lot, though this is not felt to be a high figure. Residential property in the central portion of the city (section 15) is selling at from \$15.00 to \$600 per lot; and in section 16 \$1,000 to \$300 is being asked and offered. Business lots across the Elbow, in East Calgary, are bringing from \$3,000 to \$1,000 per lot. Other property is held at proportionate rates. The number of building permits already issued is quite large. Five hotels are erecting additions, and a new hostelry is to be built in East Calgary. There is a large demand for residences and a consequent large movement in this class of property.

Apports of rents and boarding houses and hotel rates, the complaint of exorbitant prices is not dying out but gaining ground. Few cases of combine are more inexcusable than that of a number of local hotel men who on February 1st raised their rates to \$2.00 per day. If these hotels were two dollar houses the complaint would not be so loud but as a matter of fact none of them are in that grade at all; some of them being third class hotels. Nobody pretends that the price of provisions in Calgary warrants the exorbitant rates of hotelmen and landladies; it is simply a case of working the market for all it will stand. And the consequence is that there is a sore feeling among newcomers to Calgary which all of the pacific efforts of the Hundred Thousand Club cannot overcome. That the prices of board should be 20 per cent. higher here than in Vancouver reveals a state of highway robbery; yet figures, in this case, don't lie.

A strenuous effort is being made by residents of Seventh avenue to have their roadway widened from 66 to 78 feet. They propose to effect this by taking 6 feet off the property on each side. Over two thirds of the owners have petitioned the council to expropriate the land and assess the damage to buildings in any way they may see

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fit. Since the petition was presented, other property owners have expressed their approval of the scheme, and it seems quite likely that three fourths of the property will be represented on the petition, in which case the council must proceed to expropriation. It is felt that all property on the street will be so increased in value by the added width of the roadway that the loss of six feet of frontage will be fully met. Only one stone building is seriously affected—Knox church. Central Methodist need be altered only by the changing of an entrance. The owners of brick buildings which front on the street are anxious to add an extra storey, and cannot do so while their walls remain of veneer. It is very probable that the scheme will go through. If it does, the folly or selfishness of those who laid out all Calgary's streets on the 66 foot basis will have been overcome on one street at least.

A big legal fight, and perhaps a heavy bill for damages, will probably grow out of the city's action in regard to a building being erected by Mr. L. H. Doll. Mr. Doll obtained a permit to erect a two storey building with a 13 inch wall, though the city demands that in the first class fire limit seventeen inches be the thickness of the first floor.

Later Mr. Doll applied for permission to erect a third storey, with a 13 inch wall permission having been previously granted an hotel to erect a third storey in the first class limits, the whole bally wall being veneer! There was red tape delay, and Mr. Doll proceeded with his building pending the action of the council. That case came this week when Mr. Doll was summoned, fined \$50 and costs, and the next day the building inspector, fire chief and four other men got on the building and proceeded to tear down the third storey. Mr. Doll has to vacate his present premises June 1st, wants the new ones then, estimates the damage at \$100,000, and is going to fight. In fact he has his dukes up already.

Negotiations are under way to have the city assume full control of the general hospital, instead of merely appointing representatives on a board of directors. This is but a part of a larger scheme to put all civic affairs under the control of a board of commissioners, to be elected by the ratepayers, who will be paid a yearly salary sufficient to secure the services of competent men. The scheme is endorsed on all sides, and will undoubtedly go through.

Chairman Watson of the Waterworks committee is working overtime on a proposed gravity system of water supply. The scheme looks good, and would undoubtedly provide a bountiful supply of excellent water under a far better system than that of direct pressure water-

works. Mr. Watson's estimate of \$250,000 is being subjected to criticism, however, Engineer Speakman and others say the scheme would require far more—probably an addition of one half. Further expert advice is being sought. Some scheme will probably be presented to the rate payers in June.

Three bylaws were presented the other day, and were voted on by a total of 104 ratepayers. In a city where the lists for aldermanic elections show 3300 names this reveals an astounding indifference to civic affairs. An expenditure of \$66,500 was put through that day.

On the 25th of the month a by law providing for an electric street railway will be submitted. The result is hard to predict. A local man has lately started a service of auto busses. They are very well patronised, though the rate is a ten cent one. If he puts on an efficient service and can lower his rate the railway bylaw may be shelved for some time. The city school board have had their hands full seeking to provide accommodation for the increased school population. Soon their troubles will be increased by the addition of Greater Calgary to their jurisdiction. The new schools are ready for occupation, but the population has so increased that when they are opened the need of more schools will be just as great as before they were begun.

There are rumors among the members of the building trades that there is trouble brewing and every danger of a strike. Contractors say, however, that there is nothing whatever to fear. The unions have made demands, but it is generally believed that these will be met or adjusted, and the situation saved.

The building proposed in Calgary this summer figures up to a large amount if only the public buildings are considered. There is the new Y.M.C.A., land titles office, C.P.R. station, Normal school, new city schools, etc. There is some genuine mourning about the non-arrival of the university, and an indignation that will probably not die down for some time. But the talk about the formation of a new party, under Hon. W. H. Cushing, or anybody else, is a kind of rot that nobody means seriously.

The excellent financial showing made at the annual meeting of the Edmonton YMCA is ascribed entirely to the good work done by the able and energetic secretary of the organization, R. B. Chadwick. The value of the assets over liabilities is \$56,489.10. The directors were elected as follows: The first five for three years, the second five for two and the third five for one year. Dr. H. R. Smith, J. A. McDougall, T. M. Turnbull, C. E. Rhee, Rev. R. Riddell, A. F. Ewing, H. Aldridge, P. E. Butchart, H. Gilbert, George McLeod, W. Crafts, W. W. Chown, H. W. Riley, and W. H. Reed.

Home and Society

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in honor of the marriage, everyone in the district being invited, but owing to the unfortunate snowstorm many who intended being present were unable to attend, there being in all 120 guests present. The ball was opened by a grand march and the Circassian circle led off by the bride and bridegroom followed by a waltz, two step, lancers, three step, schottische, quadrille, waltz, two step and French minuet.

Formerly it was the custom for people to ask each other where he or she intended to spend the summer holidays. Following that arrived the time when running out of town for Easter and Christmas came to be looked upon as a dire necessity. Still later was introduced the habit of taking little side trips every now and then to break the

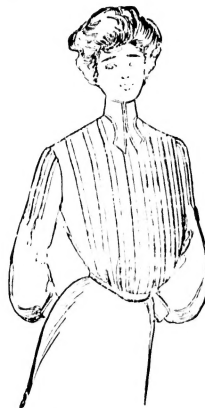
deadly monotony of life as it is lived within the limitations of a circumscribed town circle, but the very latest and smartest caper in Edmonton is for the residents of the far west end to give little week end parties, when the fortunate chateauxes of some of the fine new homes built on the outskirts, have the satisfaction of inviting a congenial little coterie, to spend the interval from Saturday to Monday amid real country surroundings. The pitying remark, "You poor thing, having to tramp away out to the other end of Nowhere," has been changed to "Oh, you lucky woman, to have one of those lovely places in the West End." After all, isn't it the mere idea of change, the fascination of getting out of a rut, that makes a trip to the coast or a week end at your friend's semi-country house, an event to be anticipated with equal interest, seeing that either affords the restful change

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that has come to be looked upon as a necessity in these modern times?

It is said to be an open question whether the manners of the day reflect the manners of the woman of the moment, or the woman of the day, the manners of the heroine in fiction of the moment. But no matter on which side opinion rests, we are getting still further and further away from the real and not a whit nearer the ideal.

And, after all, this does not seriously alarm anyone, for, as a frank critic of her own sex said recently, woman has for all time possessed the happy gift of appearing exactly as others possibly, even men, want her to be.

"What does a man really like best in a girl?" I asked a popular young bachelor recently.

"Sincerity and naturalness first and last of all," he answered "a sprinkling of good looks perhaps and a smotheration of what for lack of a better name, we call 'charm.'"

Take a furtive glance around town and single out the popular and most admired women and see how correct his definition is.

Can any girl define what we like most we in men?

To golf, to tennis, or to croquet this year, that is the question? Whether it were better to tramp the endless trail to the golf links or to wear out shoes and temper "doing" the steps to the exhibition grounds, is the proposition facing the sport lovers of Edmonton. A suggestion has been put forward that some one institute a "Chute the Chute" or Scenic Railway in either case. The scheme is feasible and should find a host of supporters. Now to find a philanthropist to float the new industry!

In conversation with some of the tennis enthusiasts I learned that the best of nets and paraphernalia have already been ordered from Winnipeg so that tennis at least will be an added attraction this summer. And now some of the older people are advocating a first class croquet lawn, which, and the game was once fairly launched, would, I am sure, be liberally patronized.

The marriage of the Right Rev. William Day Reeve, Bishop of Mackenzie River and Athabasca Diocese, and Mrs. Grindlay, widow of the late Mr. Grindlay, Toronto, has been arranged to take place in October next.

The Calico Ball held last week in Fort Saskatchewan in aid of the local hospital funds proved a great success in every way.

The hall was most tastefully decorated for the occasion and the varied costumes are described by the Reporter as appropriate and amusing. The sum of \$78.05 was realised for the hospital.

Among the pretty entertainments given for Miss Gladys McLean of Edmonton during the week, says the Calgary Herald, an evening at cards by Miss McLeod was one of the brightest. Miss Sutherland and Mr. Drury won the first prizes, and Miss Eileen Harris and Mr. Harris the consolation. A few of the guests were Miss Pinkham, Miss Mewburn, Miss Eileen Harris, Miss de Sousa, Miss McLean, Mr. Drury, Mr. Sharp, Mr. Dixon, Mr. Harris, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Jones and several others.

Dr. and Mrs. J. L. Biggar, formerly of Tillsonburg, Ontario, are guests at the house of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Pardee. Dr. Biggar, who is a brother of Mr. O. M. Biggar, barrister, will shortly commence practice in Edmonton.

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